

Amendments To The Claims

This Listing Of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing Of Claims:

Claim 1 (Previously Presented): A packaging bag with a front wall (12) and a rear wall (14) made of a packaging film (16, 16a,b), in which the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) are bonded together along a peripheral edge (18) and at least one of the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) is printed on the outside of the bag, each of the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) is continuous and uninterrupted so as to not have any hole therein, on the outside of the bag at least one of the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) is bonded to a cover film (20, 20a,b) which is printed on one or both sides, a substantial portion of the cover film (20, 20a,b) is bonded to and peelable from one of the front wall (12) or the rear wall (14), a remaining portion of the cover film (20, 20a,b) is permanently bonded to the packaging film (16, 16a,b) in an edge area (24, 24a,b), at least part of a surface portion of the front wall (12) or the rear wall (14) over which peelable portion of the cover film (20, 20ab) lies contains printing.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): The packaging bag according to claim 1, wherein the front wall (12) consists of a first packaging film (16a), the rear wall (14) consists of a second packaging film (16b), and at least one of the packaging films (16a,b) is bonded to the cover film (20a,b).

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): The packaging bag according to claim 1, wherein the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) are made of the same packaging film (16) folded and bonded to the cover film (20).

Claim 4 (Canceled).

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): A process for the manufacture of packaging bags (10) with a front wall (12) and a rear wall (14) made of a packaging film (16a,b), in which the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) are bonded together along a peripheral edge (18), at least one of the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) are printed on the outside of the bag and bonded on the outside of the bag to a cover film (20a) which is printed on one or both sides and with substantially its entire area bonded to and peelable from either of the front wall (12) or the rear wall (14), a remaining portion of the cover film (20a) is permanently bonded to the packaging film (16a,b), which process has the following steps:

- A. one of one-sided or two-sided printing of a cover film web (40a),
- B. coating of one side of the cover film web (40a) with a peelable plastic layer (28a),
- C. joining the cover film web (40a) by way of the peelable plastic layer (28a) to the printed side of a first packaging film web (42a) to form a peelable bond over substantially the entire area thereof, and the remaining portion of cover film (28a) being permanently bonded to the printed side of the first packaging film web (42a),
- D. joining the first packaging film web (42a) bonded to the cover film web (40a) to a second packaging film web (42b), and
- E. bonding of the first packaging film web (42a) with the second packaging film web (42b) along peripheral edges (18).

Claims 6 to 9 (Cancelled).

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The packaging bag according to claim 2, wherein the cover film (20, 20a,b) is permanently bonded to the packaging film (16, 16a,b) in an edge area (24, 24a,b).

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): The packaging bag according to claim 3, wherein the cover film (20, 20a,b) is permanently bonded to the packaging film (16, 16a,b) in an edge area (24, 24a,b).

Claims 12 and 13 (Cancelled).

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): The process according to claim 5, wherein the side of the cover film web (40, 40a,b) coated with the peelable plastic layer (28, 28a,b) is also coated with a permanent adhesive (24, 24a,b) in a pattern such that the permanent adhesive is located in the edge area of the bag.

Claim 15 (Previously Presented): The process according to claim 14, wherein all printing of the cover film webs (40 40a,b), the packaging film webs (42, 42a,b) and the application of the permanent adhesive pattern (24, 24a,b) are performed using the register printing process.

Claim 16 (Previously Presented): A packaging bag with a front wall (12) and a rear wall (14) made of a packaging film (16, 16a,b), in which the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) are bonded together along a peripheral edge (18) and at least one of the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) is printed on the outside of the bag, each of the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) is continuous and uninterrupted so as to not have any hole therein, on the outside of the bag at least one of the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) is bonded to a cover film (20, 20a,b) which is printed on one or both sides, substantially the entire area of

the cover film (20, 20a,b) is bonded to and peelable from either the front wall (12) or the rear wall (14), a remaining portion of the cover film (20, 20a,b) is permanently bonded to the packaging film (16, 16a,b) in an edge area (24, 24a,b), at least part of a surface portion of the front wall (12) or the rear wall (14) over which peelable portion of the cover film (20, 20ab) lies contains printing.

Claim 17 (Previously Presented): A packaging bag with a front wall (12) and a rear wall (14) made of a packaging film (16, 16a,b), in which the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) are bonded together along a peripheral edge (18) and at least one of the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) is printed on the outside of the bag, each of the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) is continuous and uninterrupted, on the outside of the bag at least one of the front wall (12) and the rear wall (14) is bonded to a cover film (20, 20a,b) which is printed on one or both sides, a substantial portion of the cover film (20, 20a,b) is bonded to and peelable from either the front wall (12) or the rear wall (14), a remaining portion of the cover film (20, 20a,b) is permanently bonded to the packaging film (16, 16a,b) in an edge area (24, 24a,b), at least part of a surface portion of the front wall (12) or the rear wall (14) over which peelable portion of the cover film (20, 20ab) lies contains printing.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): The packaging bag according to Claim 16, wherein the packaging film (16, 16a,b) is comprised ~~comprised~~ of (i) a metal or ceramic middle layer that has an outward-facing side and an inward-facing side, the middle layer is selected from the group consisting of a metal layer and a ceramic layer, (ii) a plastic layer on the outward-facing side of the metal or ceramic middle layer, and (iii) a sealing layer ~~sealing lacquer layer or a sealing~~

~~polyolefin film~~ on the inward-facing side of the ~~metal or ceramic~~ middle layer, the sealing layer being selected from the group consisting of a sealing lacquer layer and a sealing polyolefin film.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended): The packaging bag according to Claim 17, wherein the packaging film (16, 16a,b) is comprised ~~composed~~ of (i) a middle ~~or ceramic~~ middle layer that has an outward-facing side and an inward-facing side, the middle layer is selected from the group consisting of a metal layer and a ceramic layer, (ii) a plastic layer on the outward-facing side of the ~~metal or ceramic~~ middle layer, and (iii) a sealing layer ~~sealing lacquer layer or a sealing polyolefin film~~ on the inward-facing side ~~metal or ceramic~~ of the middle layer, the sealing layer being selected from the group consisting of a sealing lacquer layer and a sealing polyolefin film.